**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus for controlling transfer of contents to a destination information processing apparatus, ~~the information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and being owned by the same user, said information processing apparatus~~ comprising:

storage means for storing a usage control status; and

judgment means for judging whether transfer of said contents is possible in accordance with said usage control status;

~~wherein said judgment means performs the judging based on whether registration conditions of said destination information processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included in said usage control status~~

wherein said usage control status has a registration area storing an ID information (SAM ID) of said destination information processing apparatus, and

wherein said judgment means performs the judgment based on said ID information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area.

10. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 9, wherein said judgment means judges that transfer of said contents is possible when said ID information comprises the source information processing apparatus ID.

11. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus for canceling a transfer ~~of~~ contents ~~when~~ after the transfer of contents is performed to a destination

information processing apparatus, ~~the information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and being owned by the same user, said information processing apparatus~~ comprising:

storage means for storing a usage control status; and

judgment means for judging whether canceling transfer of said contents is possible in accordance with said usage control status;

~~wherein said judgment means performs the judging based on whether registration conditions of said destination information processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included in said usage control status~~

wherein said usage control status has a registration area storing an ID information (SAM ID) of said destination information processing apparatus, and

wherein said judgment means performs the judgment based on said ID information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area.

12. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said judgment means judges that canceling transfer of said contents is possible when said ID information comprises destination information processing apparatus ID.

13. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said judgment means judges whether canceling transfer of said contents is possible when ID information further stored to the storage area of the source information processing apparatus in said usage control status comprises the source information processing apparatus ID.

14. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus for canceling a transfer of contents ~~when~~ after the transfer of contents is performed to a destination information processing apparatus, ~~the information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and being owned by the same user, said information processing apparatus~~ comprising:

storage means for storing a usage control status; and

judgment means for judging whether canceling transfer of said contents is possible in accordance with said usage control status;

~~wherein said judgment means performs the judging based on whether registration conditions of said source information processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included in said usage control status~~

wherein said usage control status has a registration area storing an ID information (SAM ID) of said destination information processing apparatus, and

wherein said judgment means performs the judgment based on said ID information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area.

15. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 14, wherein said judgment means judges that canceling transfer of said contents is possible when said ID information comprises the source information processing apparatus ID.

16. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 14, wherein said judgment means judges that canceling transfer of said contents is possible when ID information further stored to the storage area of the destination

information processing apparatus in said usage control status comprises the destination

information processing apparatus ID.

17. (Currently Amended)  An information processing system for canceling a

transfer of contents ~~when~~ after the transfer of contents is performed from a first

information processing apparatus to a second information processing apparatus~~, the~~

~~information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and~~

~~being owned by the same user~~;

said first information processing apparatus comprising:

first storage means for storing a first usage control status ~~including a registration~~

~~list~~; and

first judgment means for judging whether canceling transfer of said contents is

possible based on said first usage control status; ~~and~~

wherein said second information processing apparatus comprises:

second storage means for storing a second usage control status; and

second judgment means for judging whether canceling transfer of said contents

is possible based on said second usage control status;

wherein said first usage control status has a registration area storing an ID

information (SAM ID) of said second information processing apparatus; and

wherein said first judgment means performs the judgment based on said ID

information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area of said first usage control status.

~~wherein transfer of said contents is canceled based on the result of said first~~

~~judgment means and said second judgment means; and~~

~~wherein said first usage control status and said second usage control status store registration conditions contained in a control transfer status.~~

18. (Previously Presented) The information processing system according to claim 17, wherein it is judged that canceling transfer of said contents is possible when ID information stored to the storage area of said destination information processing apparatus in first and second usage control status comprises the first information processing apparatus ID and ID information stored to the storage area of said first information processing apparatus in first and second usage control status comprises the second information processing apparatus ID.

19. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus for controlling transfer of contents to a destination information processing apparatus, ~~the information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and being owned by the same user, said information processing apparatus~~ comprising:

storage means for storing a usage control status, <u>wherein said usage control status has a registration area storing an ID information (SAM ID) of said destination information processing apparatus</u>;

judgment means for judging whether transfer of said content is possible based on said usage control status, <u>and</u>

~~wherein said judgment means performs the judging based on whether registration conditions are contained in a registration list included in said usage control status; and~~

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change means for changing said usage control status based on the result of said

judgment means;

wherein said judgment means performs the judgment based on said ID

information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area; and

wherein when said judgment means judges that transfer of said contents is

possible, said change means changes said registration conditions stored in the storage

area of said destination information processing apparatus into the ID information (SAM

ID) of said destination information processing apparatus ID.

20. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to

claim 19, wherein: said information processing apparatus further comprises a

transmitting means, and said transmitting means transmits the changed usage control

status to said destination information processing apparatus.

21. (Currently Amended) An information processing system for controlling

transfer of contents when the transfer of contents is performed from a first information

processing apparatus to a second information processing apparatus, the information

processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and being owned

by the same user;

said first information processing apparatus comprising:

storage means for storing a usage control status;

judgment means for judging whether controlling transfer of said contents is

possible based on whether registration conditions of a destination information

processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included said usage control

status;

<u>wherein said usage control status has a registration area storing an ID</u>

<u>information (SAM ID) of said destination information processing apparatus,</u>

<u>wherein said judgment means performs the judgment based on said ID</u>

<u>information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area;</u>

change means for changing  said usage control status based on the result of said

judgment means; and

transmitting means for transmitting the usage control status changed by said

change means to said second information processing apparatus;

wherein said second information processing apparatus comprises:

receiving means for receiving said usage control status transmitted by said

transmitting means;

wherein when said judgment means judges that transfer of said contents is

possible, said change means changes said registration conditions stored in the storage

area of said destination information processing apparatus into the <u>ID information (SAM</u>

<u>ID) of said</u> second information processing apparatus ID.

22. (Previously Presented)  The information processing system according to

claim 21, wherein said second information processing apparatus further comprises

generation means, said generation means for generation the new usage control status

for using said second information processing apparatus based on said usage control

status received by said receiving means.

23. (Previously Presented)  The information processing system according to

claim 21, wherein said second information processing apparatus further comprises

generation means, said generation means for generating the new usage control status

for using a third information processing apparatus based on said usage control status

change means transmitted by said transmitted means.

24. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus for canceling a

transfer of contents ~~when~~ after the transfer of contents is performed from a first

information processing apparatus to a second information processing apparatus, ~~the~~

~~information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and~~

~~being owned by the same user, said information processing apparatus~~ comprising:

storage means for storing a usage control status;

judgment means for judging whether canceling transfer of said contents is

possible based on said usage control status, ~~the judging based on whether registration~~

~~condition of said second information processing apparatus are contained in a~~

~~registration list included said usage control status~~; and

change means for changing said usage control status based on the result of said

judgment means;

wherein said first usage control status has a registration area storing an ID

information (SAM ID) of said second information processing apparatus,

wherein said judgment means performs the judgment based on said ID

information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area of said first usage control status;

and

wherein when said judgment means judges that transfer of said contents is

possible, said change means changes ~~said~~ registration ~~condition~~ conditions stored in

the storage area of said second information processing apparatus into ~~the~~ ID

information (SAM ID) or initial value of said first information processing apparatus ~~ID or~~

~~initial value~~.

25. (Currently Amended) An information processing system for canceling <u>a</u>

transfer of contents ~~when~~ <u>after a</u> transfer of contents is performed from a first equipment

information processing apparatus to a second information processing apparatus ~~the~~

~~information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and~~

~~being owned by the same user~~;

said first information processing apparatus comprising:

first storage means for storing a first usage control status;

judgment means for judging whether canceling transfer of said contents is

possible based on said first usage control status~~, said judgment means performs the~~

~~judging based on whether registration conditions of said second information processing~~

~~apparatus are contained in a registration list included in said usage control status~~;

<u>wherein said first usage control status has a registration area storing an ID</u>

<u>information (SAM ID) of said second information processing apparatus,</u>

<u>wherein said judgment means performs the judgment based on said ID</u>

<u>information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area of said first usage control status;</u>

change means for changing said usage control status based on the result of said

judgment means; and

transmitting means for transmitting a transfer cancel command to said second

information processing apparatus; and

said second information processing apparatus comprising:

second storage means for storing a second usage control status;

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receiving means for receiving said transfer cancel command; and deletion means for deleting said second usage control status;

wherein when said judgment means judges that canceling transfer of said contents is possible, said change means changes ~~said~~ registration condition stored in the storage area of said second information processing apparatus into ~~the~~ <u>ID information (SAM ID) or initial value of said</u> first information processing apparatus ~~ID or initial value~~; ~~and~~

wherein said deletion means deletes said second usage control status when said receiving means receives said transfer cancel command.

26. (Previously Presented) The information processing system according to claim 25, wherein

said second information processing apparatus further comprises reply means, said reply means replaying a signal indicative of said first information processing apparatus, after said deletion means deleted said second usage control status, and wherein said change means changes said first usage control status after receiving said completion signal of deletion.

27. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for performing transfer of contents from a first information processing apparatus to a destination information processing apparatus, ~~the information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and being owned by the same user,~~ said information processing method comprising the steps of:

storing a usage control status; ~~and~~

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judging whether transfer of said contents is possible based on said usage control

status;

~~wherein said judging is based on whether registration conditions of said~~

~~destination information processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included~~

~~in said usage control status~~

wherein said usage control status stores an ID information (SAM ID) of said

destination information processing apparatus,

said storing occurring in a registration area of said usage control status,

said judging being based on said ID information (SAM ID) stored in said

registration area.

28.  (Currently Amended)  An information processing method for canceling

transfer of contents ~~when~~ after the transfer of contents is performed from a first

information processing apparatus to a destination information processing apparatus, ~~the~~

~~information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and~~

~~being owned by the same user,~~ said information processing method comprising the

steps of:

storing a usage control status; ~~and~~

judging whether canceling the transfer of said contents is possible based on said

usage control status;

~~wherein said judging is based on whether registration conditions of said~~

~~destination information processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included~~

~~said usage control status~~

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wherein said usage control status stores an ID information (SAM ID) of said

destination information processing apparatus,

said storing occurring in a registration area of said usage control status,

said judging being based on said ID information (SAM ID) stored in said

registration area.

29. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for canceling a

transfer of contents ~~when~~ after the transfer of contents is performed from a first

information processing apparatus to a destination information processing apparatus, ~~the~~

~~information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and~~

~~being owned by the same user, said information processing method~~ comprising the

steps of:

storing a usage control status; and

judging whether canceling the transfer of said contents is possible based on said

usage control status;

~~wherein said the judging is based on whether registration conditions of said~~

~~destination information processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included~~

~~said usage control status~~

wherein said usage control status stores an ID information (SAM ID) of said

destination information processing apparatus,

said storing occurring in a registration area of said usage control status,

said judging being based on said ID information (SAM ID) stored in said

registration area.

30. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for controlling transfer of contents from a first information processing apparatus to a destination information processing apparatus, ~~the information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and being owned by the same user, said information processing method~~ comprising the steps of:

storing a usage control status;

judging whether transfer of said contents is possible based on said usage control status;

~~wherein said judging is based on whether registration conditions of said destination information processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included said usage control status; and~~

wherein said usage control status stores an ID information (SAM ID) of said destination information processing apparatus,

said storing occurring in a registration area of said usage control status,

said judging being based on said ID information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area; and

changing said usage control status based on the result of said judgment step;

~~wherein; and~~

wherein when it is judged that transfer of said contents is possible, ~~said~~ registration conditions are stored in the storage area of said destination information processing apparatus ~~is~~ and changed into ~~the~~ ID information (SAM ID) of said destination information processing apparatus ~~ID~~.

31. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for canceling a transfer of contents ~~when~~ after the transfer of contents is performed from a first information processing apparatus to a second information processing apparatus, ~~the information processing apparatuses being located in close proximity to each other and being owned by the same user,~~ said information processing method comprising the steps of:

storing a usage control status;

judging whether canceling transfer of said contents is possible based on said usage control status,

~~the judging based on whether registration conditions of said second information processing apparatus are contained in a registration list included said usage control status; and~~

wherein said first usage control status stores an ID information (SAM ID) of said second information processing apparatus,

said storing occurring in a registration area of said first usage control status,

said judging being based on said ID information (SAM ID) stored in said registration area ; and

changing said usage control status based on the result of said judgment step; ~~and~~

wherein when it is judged that transfer of said contents is possible, said registration conditions stored in the storage area of said second information processing apparatus is changed into the source information processing apparatus ID or initial value.

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